

COLORADO BCR/BCT PROGRAM

Note: BCR = Best Cyclocross Rider  
BCT = Best Cyclocross Team

- **Recognize the Best Cyclocross Rider and Team in designated categories**
- **Encourage teamwork and competitiveness.**

ELIGIBILITY

- **Individual ACA annual members or ACA clubs in good standing may earn points as outlined.**
- **Points earned before membership *will not be counted in the rider's points or team's point total.***

EVENTS

- **All BCR/BCT events will be permitted through the American Cycling Association.**
- **Each race in the series will have the top 20 in each of the categories scored and compiled then each riders top 8 results will be added together through the race series to determine the overall top 20 in each category at the end of the series.**
- **BCR/BCT Race Flyers must be approved and posted 30 days in advance to remain eligible**

SELECTION

BCR/BCT races shall be selected by the Board of Directors of American Cycling Association with the following criteria to enter into the selection of all BCR/BCT races:

- **Clubs must be current members, in good standing**
- **The promoter or club has applied for the status of BCR/BCT**
- **The results of race surveys**
- **The attendance by category report compiled by the Colorado State Representative**
- **The Chief Referee's reports from previous years**
- **Consideration of the quality of past promotions by the promoter or club applying for the status.**
- **The recommendations of the Technical Committee**
- **Any requested exemptions to the policy must be made no later than 45 days prior to the event to allow adequate time for the Board of Directors consideration and notification of the membership**

COURSES

All venues and course MUST meet and provide the following items:

- **Off Course start grid as outlined in the ACA Promoters Handbook on a firm surface**
- **Race staff to assist in control of start grid and assist Referee(s) with staging/call-up**
- **At least 200 meters of firm surface after the start must be free of obstructions and sharp turns**
- **All open area turns shall be marked with "caution" tape, fencing or cones (cones for pavement/roads only). Surveyors flags/tape do not meet this criteria**
- **Entire course must be at least 3 rideable meters in width**

- Finish must be on a firm surface and free of obstructions and sharp turns for final 100 meters
- Must have a finish line bypass for riders warming up.

REGISTRATION:

- Registration must close no less than 20 minutes prior to race start

POINTS

- Points shall be awarded to ACA annual members placing in the top 20 places. The points shall be awarded as follows: First place through 20th place: 26, 23, 21, 19, 17, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.
- The top three riders (position crossing finish line) from a team shall have their points counted toward BCT standings.
- At the conclusion of the program the rider and team with the greatest number of points shall receive the BCR and BCT designations. In case of a tie the number of firsts, then seconds, then thirds shall be taken into consideration to break the tie. If still tied duplicate awards shall be presented.
- Awards shall be presented at the Annual Meeting, Executive Committee meeting or Awards Party.

CATEGORIES/DISTANCES/SCHEDULE

Category	Start Time	CX Duration Minutes (Minimum)
JM/W 10-12	8:30	20
JM/W 8-9	8:30:30	20
JM/W 15-18	9:00	30
JM/W 13-14	9:00.30	30
SM 35+	9:45	45
SM 35,4	10:40	45
SM 45+	11:35	45
SW Open	11:35.30	45
SM Open	12:40	60
SM 55+	1:50	45
SW 35+	1:50:30	45
SW 4	1:50	45
SM 4	2:45	45
SM 3	3:45	45
Singlespeed	3:45:30	45

STAGING / CALL-UPS

- ALL *non-Junior* races must have a designated off-course staging area and start grid.
- The Chief Referee is responsible for call-ups. The Chief may delegate this duty to an Assistant Referee
- Call-up will occur 10 minutes before race start time. It is the riders responsibility to arrive on time.
- Based on top 60 BCR/BCT points. Points from previous year OR random order will be used for the first event at the discretion of the Chief Referee.
- Chief Referee may elect to call-up a lower number of BCR/BCT places based on field size or other relevant issue.

- Order of registration is to be used after top 60 BCR/BCT have been named
- 60 total riders per race will be called-up.
- Riders who miss their call-up will enter the start grid after the most recently called rider or wave has been allowed to stage.
- The starter will give a 60 second warning, a 30 second warning, a 15 second warning and start the race at any time in the final 15 seconds with the blow of a whistle. NO other start commands are to be given.

#### **BCR/BCT RIDER AND CLUB RESPONSIBILITIES**

- It is the rider's responsibility to ensure that all association club and rider membership fees are paid for themselves as well as for their club.
- It is the rider's responsibility to ensure that the correct category and club affiliation is shown on membership application/renewal and on ACA license.
- ACA shall strictly adhere to membership records to validate categories. Other associations may be used to validate categorization but do not guarantee said category being honored until after evaluation by the Colorado State Representative
- In all cases a rider must change his license to reflect whether he/she is unattached or a member of a club. Points shall not be earned until such a change is officially made. *Points are not retroactive. Riders shall contact the ACA State Representative to have their licenses updated.*
- Interested riders must verify their placing on the official results at each event within the published ACA protest periods. ACA office staff cannot change race results.
- It is the rider's responsibility to monitor the points standings posted at race sites, and on the web site, and submit any questions within the published limits below.
- **TIME LIMITS**—A rider or team has three days from the date that event's BCR/BCT results are posted on the web site or at race sites weekly to protest this tabulation.
- Seniors who are eligible to ride in more than one age classification must declare by September 1<sup>st</sup> in which age-class and category they will compete in for BCR for the year in combined races. Those not declaring to ride in a younger class will be calculated for the default age classification